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Abnormally short serum half-lives of IgG in beta 2-microglobulin-deficient mice.

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Current concepts in mucosal immunity. IV. How epithelial transport of IgA antibodies relates to host defense.

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The humoral arm of the mucosal immune system is principally composed of locally synthesized polymeric IgA, whose Fc portion is adapted for binding to the polymeric immunoglobulin receptor that is expressed on the basolateral surface of mucosal epithelial cells, including enterocytes. This receptor mediates the endocytosis and transcytosis of polymeric IgA, which allows IgA to function in host defense at three anatomic levels in relation to mucosal epithelium: IgA antibodies in the lamina propria can bind antigens and excrete them through the epithelium into the lumen; antiviral IqA antibodies in transit through epithelial cells inhibit virus production by an intracellular action; and IgA antibodies secreted into the lumen can prevent antigens and microbes from adhering to and penetrating the epithelium. The ways in which IgA antibodies function in mucous membranes provide challenging investigative opportunities for cell physiologists and cell biologists. (22 Refs.)

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Apical plasma membrane proteins and endolyn-78 travel through a subapical compartment in polarized WIF-B hepatocytes.

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We studied basolateral-to-apical transcytosis of three classes of apical plasma membrane (PM) proteins in polarized hepatic WIF-B cells and then compared it to the endocytic trafficking of basolaterally recycling membrane proteins. We used antibodies to label the basolateral cohort of proteins at the surface of living cells and then followed their trafficking at 37 degreesC by indirect immunofluorescence. The apical PM proteins aminopeptidase N, 5'nucleotidase, and the polymeric IgA receptor were efficiently transcytosed. Delivery to the apical PM was confirmed by microinjection of secondary antibodies into the bile canalicular-like space and by EM studies. Before acquiring their apical steady-state distribution, the trafficked antibodies accumulated in a subapical compartment, which had a unique tubulovesicular appearance by EM. In contrast, antibodies to the receptors for asialoglycoproteins and mannose-6-phosphate or to the lysosomal membrane protein, lgp120, distributed to endosomes or lysosomes, respectively, without accumulating in the subapical area. However, the route taken by the endosomal/lysosomal protein endolyn-78 partially resembled the transcytotic pathway, since anti-endolyn-78 antibodies were found in a subapical compartment before delivery to lysosomes. Our results suggest that in WIF-B cells, transcytotic molecules pass through a subapical compartment that functions as a second sorting site for a subset of basolaterally endocytosed membrane proteins reaching this compartment.

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Structural basis of pH-dependent ${f antibody}$ binding by the neonatal ${f Fc}$ receptor.

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BACKGROUND: The neonatal ${f Fc}$ receptor $({f FcRn})$ mediates the transcytosis of maternal immunoglobulin G (IgG) across fetal and/or neonatal tissues for the acquisition of passive immunity. In adults, FcRn is involved in the maintenance of high serum IgG levels. Both processes are mediated by pH-dependent IgG binding to FcRn-FcRn binds to IgG with nanomolar affinity at pH 6, but shows no detectable binding at pH 7.5. At pH 6, FcRn is more thermally stable and the dissociation rate of its light chain is an order of magnitude slower than at pH 8.0. Comparison of the structures of FcRn at pH 6.5 and pH 8 allows an analysis of the structural basis for the receptor's pH-dependent ligand binding and stability. RESULTS: We have determined the structure of FcRn at pH 8 and compared it to a further refined version of the structure at pH 6.5. An extensive ordered carbohydrate structure is observed at both pH values. The two structures are very similar; thus the pH dependence of FcRn stability and affinity for IgG can be attributed to chemical properties of the structures themselves, rather than mechanisms that rely on conformational changes. The pH-dependent properties are mediated by electrostatic interactions involving histidine residues, which are more favorable for the protonated form of histidine that predominates at acidic pH values. CONCLUSIONS: No major conformational change is observed between the pH 6.5 and pH 8 structures of FcRn that could account for the differences in affinity for IgG. The pH dependence of IgG binding to FcRn can therefore primarily be attributed to titration of histidine residues on Fc that interact with anionic pockets on the receptor. The FcRn dimer, which is required for high affinity binding of IgG, is itself stabilized at acidic pH by histidine-mediated salt bridges and a sidechain rearrangement that creates a more favorable interaction with an anionic pocket at pH 6.5 relative to pH 8. FcRn dimerization is facilitated by reciprocal interactions in which carbohydrate from one receptor molecule binds to protein residues from the dimer-related receptor molecule to form a 'carbohydrate handshake'.

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Antibody against the human J chain inhibits polymeric Ig receptor-mediated biliary and epithelial transport of human polymeric IgA.

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emphasize the requirement for a J chain in native polymeric immunoglobulins for their selective transport into exocrine secretions, IgG, purified from two different antisera specific for the human J chain, was shown to: (i) bind in vitro to human polymeric IgA (pIgA) by density gradient ultracentrifugation; (ii) inhibit binding in vitro of rat secretory component to human pIgA; (iii) inhibit hepatic transport of human pIgA into rat bile in vivo; and (iv) inhibit apical transcytosis of pIgA in vitro by polarized human polymeric immunoglobulin receptor (pIgR)-expressing Madin-Darby canine kidney cells. Inhibition of biliary transport increased with the molar ratio of anti-J chain antibodies against pIgA and their incubation time. Anti-J chain F(ab')2 and Fab fragments also inhibited biliary transport, excluding a role for phagocytic clearance or excessive size of the immune complexes. Anti-human-Fc alpha Fab, bound to human pIgA in complexes of larger size than those with anti-J chain Fab, did not inhibit biliary transport of human pIgA. Propionic acid-denatured human pIgA, although containing J chains, was very poorly transported into rat bile. Altogether, our data strongly support, now also by in vivo experiments, the crucial role of the J chain of native pIgA in its selective pIgR-mediated transport into secretions, as suggested long ago by in vitro data only. Recent data on J chain-knockout mice, with low IgA levels in bile and feces, cannot explain the role of the J chain in contributing to the secretory component/pIqR-binding site of normal pIqA, but otherwise agree with our study.

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Image analysis of protein profiles from paired microvillous and basal syncytiotrophoblast plasma membranes from term human placenta and characterization of IgG binding to membrane vesicles.

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analysis of SDS-PAGE profiles of highly purified, paired maternal-facing (microvillous; MVM) and fetal-facing (basal; BM) plasmalemma membrane vesicles from six term human placentae showed that, while individual MVM or BM profiles were extremely reproducible, the two membrane populations were substantially different--although all of the seven major bands of molecular mass, 98.4, 79.4, 71.1, 45.1, 40.9, 39.5 and 34.5 kDa found in MVM were present, albeit in differing amounts, in BM. BM were characterized by the presence of five low molecular weight bands which were not present in MVM. Despite this consistency of the membrane preparations, binding of 125I-IgG or its fragments showed marked variability in both MVM and BM. At pH 7.4, both MVM and BM bound similar amounts of 125I-IgG with Kd values of 5.2 +/- 1.9 x 10(-6) M (s.e., n = 8) and 2.9 +/- 0.4 x 10(-6) M respectively, (P > 0.05). There were 1.2-1.6 x 10(15) binding sites/mg protein. Affinity constants for Fc fragment binding to MVM and BM were similar to those for IgG, although the Bmax value for BM Fc binding was greatly reduced compared to that for IgG (P > 0.001). Fab binding to MVM and BM was also saturable but substantially lower than that of Fc, whereas binding of F(ab') 2 was low and linear. Both MVM and BM bound marginally more IgG at pH 6.0 than at pH 7.4. These data provide further evidence for receptor-mediated transcytosis of maternal IgG across the placenta and confirm that the placental IgG transporter differs from classical Fc gamma receptors.

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Microvascular permeability to the F(ab')2 fragment of IgG in the male rat reproductive tract at puberty.

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Development of contraceptive vaccines has recently raised much interest following the cloning of the sperm and oocyte components involved in the sperm-oocyte interaction. The main difficulty of immunocontraception in the male is the poor access of antibodies to the luminal compartment. As recent literature suggests that many substances are transported to the receptor-mediated or fluid-phase transcytosis, dependence of the transport of IgG on the Fc receptor was studied in the present investigation by comparing the penetration of whole IgG and the F(ab')2 fragment of IgG to the testis and epididymis. The maximum volume of distribution (Veq) for the F(ab')2 fragment was significantly higher than that for whole IgG in the testis of 30-60-day old rats, in the caput and cauda of 30- and 45-day old rats and the corpus of 45-day old rats. The speeds at which equilibrium between tissue extracellular fluid and serum was reached (K) for the F(ab')2 fragment and whole IgG were significantly different in the testicular capsule of the 60-day old, in the caput and corpus of the 45- and 60-day old and in the cauda of the 45-day old rats. The microvascular permeabilities (PE) to the F(ab')2 fragment were more than 2-fold higher than those to whole IgG in the testis of the 20-, 45and 60-day old, in the testicular capsule of the 20- and 45-day old, in the caput of 20-, 30- and 60-day old and in the corpus of 20-day old rats. The PE to whole IgG was more than 2-fold higher than that to the F(ab')2 fragment in the cauda of the 45-day-old rats. The PE to the F(ab')2 fragment increased steadily from 20 to 60 days of age in the testis and caput, but in the corpus there was a more abrupt increase between 30 and 45

days of age. In the cauda, PE remained in the same range of magnitude throughout pubertal development. These results suggest that the F(ab')2 fragment reaches the lumen of the reproductive tract more easily than whole IgG from 30 days of age onwards in the testis, whereas in the caput, corpus and cauda epididymidis the rate at which F(ab')2 fragment reaches the lumen increases only temporarily at the time of appearance of spermatozoa in the lumen. Transport of IgG to the male reproductive tract is thus unlikely to be mediated by Fc receptors.

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Transcytosis of IgG anti-D by human term trophoblast cells in culture.

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Placental trophoblast cells were cultured on filters that allow access to medium bathing the apical and basal surfaces of cells. Purified human IgG was added to either the apical or the basal chambers and sampled at intervals of up to 100min for determination of IgG concentration by ELISA. Using this experimental system, transport of IgG1 and IgG3 monoclonal anti-D, affinity-purified polyclonal anti-D and human polyclonal IgG were shown to occur primarily in the apical to basal (i.e. maternal to fetal) direction. The overall transport of monoclonal and polyclonal anti-D was less than 10% in 45 min, several times lower than that of IgG. There was no difference in the rate or percentage of transport between IgG1 (BRAD-5) and IgG3 (BRAD-3) monoclonal anti-D. The possibility that the Fc receptor mediating transcytosis of IgG anti-D through human trophoblast cells in culture is the placental hFcRn is proposed.

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Evidence that \mathbf{Fc} gamma receptors in rabbit yolk sac endoderm do not depend upon an acid pH to effect IgG binding and $\mathbf{transcytosis}$ in vitro.

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An in vitro culture system has been devised creating apical and basal compartments separated by rabbit visceral yolk sac (VYS) with an intact epithelium. Selective transcytosis and binding of heterologous IgG applied to the apical yolk sac endoderm (YSE) was demonstrated in vitro using double label immunofluorescence. Thus, whilst both human and bovine IgG could be detected in endosomes in YSE, only human IgG could be detected in the basement membrane and vascular mesenchyme. This mirrors what is found in vivo. The Fc fragment of human Ig was transcytosed but not the Fab fragment, indicating that Fc receptors were expressed in the cultured YSE. When VYS was previously chilled to 4 degrees C to prevent endocytosis and treated with rabbit serum albumin to prevent non-specific binding, human IgG, but not bovine IgG, became specifically bound to YSE apical plasma membrane; comparison of binding at pH 6.0, 7.3 (the average pH of rabbit uterine fluid) and 8.0 revealed no obvious difference. Pre-exposure of VYS for up to 5 min in monensin, followed by culture in monensin and immunoglobulin-containing medium, did not prevent the selective transcystosis of human IgG, suggesting that an acidic compartment may not be needed for transcytosis. An acid pH dependent Fc gamma receptor equivalent to that on suckling rat gut jejunal enterocyte plasma membranes could not be isolated from rabbit YSE following exposure of solubilized membrane to affinity matrix bound IgG at pH 6.0 and elution at pH 8.0. These results contradict a recent suggestion that Fc receptors on all IgG transcytosing epithelia require an acid pH to effect IgG binding and selective transcytosis.

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Selective inhibition of transcytosis by brefeldin A in MDCK cells.

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Treatment of most cells with brefeldin A (BFA) leads to the retrieval of the Golgi complex to the endoplasmic reticulum, presumably reflecting an inhibition of cytoplasmic coat protein binding to Golgi membranes. Although BFA has been thought to act only on biosynthetic organelles, we now show polymeric immunoglobulin that this drug also reversibly blocks receptor-mediated transcytosis in MDCK cells. The action of BFA on transcytosis was selective, since internalization, recycling, and intracellular degradation were unaffected. The block occurred early on the transcytotic pathway, probably before the translocation of IgA-containing vesicles from the basal to the apical cytoplasm. Although BFA caused MDCK cell endosomes to become more tubular, the organization of the Golgi and binding of the 110 kd Golgi coat protein beta-COP was surprisingly unaffected. These results suggest that in MDCK cells, endocytic organelles contain a BFA-sensitive coat that regulates their organization and function even though the Golgi coat is BFA resistant.

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Expression of macrophage-lymphocyte **Fc** receptors in Madin-Darby canine kidney cells: polarity and **transcytosis** differ for isoforms with or without coated pit localization domains.

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Many cells of the immune system and certain epithelia express receptors for the ${f Fc}$ domain of IgG (${f FcR}$). On mouse macrophages and lymphocytes, two distinct receptor isoforms have been identified, designated FcRII-B1 and FcRII-B2. The isoforms are identical except for an in-frame insertion of 47 amino acids in the cytoplasmic tail FcRII -B1 that blocks its ability to be internalized by We have recently found that at least clathrin-coated pits. IgG-transporting epithelium, namely placental syncytial trophoblasts, transcripts encoding a receptor similar or identical to expresses macrophage-lymphocyte FcRII. To determine whether FcRII of hematopoietic cells might also function as a transcytotic receptor if expressed in epithelial cells, FcRII-B1 and -B2 were transfected into Madin-Darby canine kidney (MDCK) cells and grown on permeable filter units. The two FcRII isoforms exhibited different patterns of polarized expression: FcRII -B1 was localized mainly to the apical plasma membrane domain, whereas FcRII -B2 was found predominantly on the basolateral surface. As expected for FcR in placenta, FcRII-B2 and to a lesser extent FcRII-B1 mediated transcellular transport of IgG-complexes from the apical to the basolateral plasma membrane. Neither receptor mediated transcytosis in the opposite direction, although FcRII -B2 also delivered ligand to lysosomes when internalized from either the basolateral or apical domains. Furthermore, FcRII-B2 was capable of transporting monovalent antireceptor antibody Fab

fragments across the cell, suggesting that **transcytosis** was not dependent on receptor cross-linking. These findings suggest the possibility that **FcRII** can mediate transepithelial IgG transport when expressed in placental syncytial trophoblasts in addition to its "classical" endocytic and signaling activities when expressed in macrophages. Because **FcRII** -B1 and -B2 are expressed with distinct polarities, the results also suggest that interactions with clathrin-coated pits may play a role in generating the polarized distribution of at least some plasma membrane proteins in MDCK cells.

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